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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

- 1-17. (canceled)
- 18. (currently amended) A method of making a three-material lollipop product, said steps comprising:

extruding a rope of gum material from an extruder into a tubular member;

transporting said extruded <u>rope of gum material through said tubular member</u> into a batch forming mechanism;

injecting a center-fill semi-liquid material into said rope of gum material;

continuously molding molten candy material around said tubular member and said center-filled gum material with rotating rollers in said batch forming mechanism thereby forming a rope of candy coated center-filled gum material;

transporting said rope of candy coated center-filled gum material to a lollipop forming mechanism; and

forming individual lollipop balls from said candy coated <u>center-filled</u> gum material in <u>the</u> a lollipop forming mechanism.

- 19. (original) The method as set forth in claim 18 further comprising the step of sizing said candy coated gum material in a sizing mechanism prior to forming individual lollipop balls in said lollipop forming mechanism.
- 20. (original) The method as set forth in claim 18 further comprising the step of inserting sticks into said lollipop balls to form lollipop products.

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21. (original) The method as set forth in claim 20 further comprising the step of cooling said formed lollipop products.

22-24. (canceled)